## In the Claims

The following listing of the claims replaces all previous listings.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of embedding voice data in a computing system, the method comprising:

detecting a record event;

detecting if a software application currently running on the computing system is voiceaware;

if the software application is voice-aware, embedding the voice data within associated data in the software application stored on a tangible computer-readable media; and

if the application is not voice-aware, triggering a voice note application to record and store the voice data on the computer-readable media; and

recording voice data.

- 2. (Original) A method according to claim 1 wherein detecting a record event comprises detecting activation of a hardware record button.
- 3. (Original) A method according to claim 1 wherein detecting a record event comprises detecting activation of a software record button.
- 4. (Original) A method according to claim 1 wherein detecting if a software application comprises detecting if a top-level software application is voice-aware.
- 5. (Cancelled)
- 6. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim [[5]] 1 further comprising: after said act of recording, buffering voice data.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim [[5]] 1 further comprising: after said act of recording voice data, detecting whether a memory size of the voice data exceeds a maximum memory size.

- 8. (Cancelled)
- 9. (Original) A method according to claim 1 wherein said act of embedding comprises providing an indication to the user that a voice note is embedded.
- 10. (Original) A method according to claim 1 further comprising: after said act of embedding, locking a connection to the software application.
- 11. (Original) A method according to claim 10 further comprising: after said act of locking, communicating a status to the software application.
- 12. (Original) A method according to claim 1 further comprising:

  before said act of embedding, receiving recording specifications from the software application.
- 13. (Original) A method according to claim 12 further comprising: after said act of receiving recording specifications, modifying a user interface of the software application.
- 14. (Currently Amended) A computer program product readable by a computing system and encoding instructions for a computer process for embedding a voice note in a computing system, the computer process comprising:

detecting a user activating a record button;

detecting if a software application currently active on the computing system is voiceaware;

if the software application is voice-aware, embedding the voice note within associated data in the software application stored on a tangible computer-readable media; and

if the application is not voice-aware, triggering a voice note application to record and store the voice note on the computer-readable media; and

recording voice data.

- 15. (Original) A computer process according to claim 14 wherein detecting a user comprises detecting activation of a hardware record button.
- 16. (Original) A computer process according to claim 14 wherein detecting a user comprises detecting activation of a software record button.
- 17. (Original) A computer process according to claim 14 wherein detecting if a software application comprises detecting if a top-level software application is voice-aware.
- 18. (Cancelled)
- 19. (Currently Amended) A computer process according to claim [[18]] <u>14</u> further comprising:

after said act of recording, buffering the voice data.

20. (Currently Amended) A computer process according to claim [[18]] <u>14</u> further comprising:

after said act of recording voice data, detecting whether a memory size of the voice data exceeds a maximum memory size.

- 21. (Cancelled)
- 22. (Original) A computer process according to claim 14 wherein said act of embedding comprises providing an indication to the user that the voice note is embedded.
- 23. (Original) A computer process according to claim 14 further comprising: after said act of embedding, locking a connection to the software application.
- 24. (Original) A computer process according to claim 23 further comprising: after said act of locking, communicating a status to the software application.

- 25. (Original) A computer process according to claim 14 further comprising: before said act of embedding, receiving recording specifications from the software application.
- 26. (Original) A computer process according to claim 25 further comprising: after said act of receiving recording specifications, modifying a user interface of the software application.
- 27. (Currently Amended) A system for embedding voice data in a computing system, the system comprising:

a detect module that detects a record event;

a top-level module that detects if a software application currently running on the computing system is voice-aware;

an embed module that embeds the voice data within associated data in the software application stored on a tangible computer-readable media, if the software application is voice-aware; and

a trigger module that triggers a voice note application to record and store the voice data on the computer-readable media, if the application is not voice-aware; and

a record module that records voice data.

- 28. (Original) A system according to claim 27 wherein the detect module detects activation of a hardware record button.
- 29. (Original) A system according to claim 27 wherein the detect module detects activation of a software record button.
- 30. (Original) A system according to claim 27 wherein the top-level module detects if a top-level software application is voice-aware.
- 31. (Cancelled)

- 32. (Original) A system according to claim 27 further comprising: a buffer module that buffers voice data.
- 33. (Original) A system according to claim 27 further comprising:
  a size module that detects whether a memory size of the voice data exceeds a maximum memory size.
- 34. (Cancelled)
- 35. (Original) A system according to claim 27 further comprising: an icon module that provides an indication to the user that a voice note is embedded.
- 36. (Original) A system according to claim 27 further comprising: a lock module that locks a connection to the software application.
- 37. (Original) A system according to claim 27 further comprising: a communication module that communicates a status to the software application.
- 38. (Original) A system according to claim 27 further comprising:
  a specifications module that receives recording specifications from the software application.
- 39. (Original) A system according to claim 27 further comprising:a modify module that modifies a user interface of the software application.
- 40-51. (Cancelled)